

**TESTIMONY BEFORE THE  
INTERIM JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

**August 7, 2006**

**Chairman Delmore and members of the Committee, my name is Melissa Hauer. I am an attorney for the Department of Human Services. I am here today to provide information regarding the status of the Uniform Trust Code task force.**

**As you know, the State Bar Association formed the task force to review the Uniform Trust Code in its entirety. The task force had been meeting monthly since the fall of 2005, but stepped up its meetings to two times per month beginning in June 2006.**

**The task force continues to review not only the entire Uniform Trust Code (UTC) as recommended by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws but also the modifications to each section of the UTC which have been enacted by other states. The task force has continued to move ahead with its section-by-section review. It has completed its review of articles one through five and is nearly finished with article six. The task force has also completed its review of approximately half of article eight.**

**After each meeting, the task force submits draft suggested changes for the consideration of the Judiciary Committee. It is my understanding that Vonette Richter is next on the agenda to review a bill draft with you based on these recommendations from the task force.**

**The task force will continue to meet to review the remaining articles of the UTC and to provide draft suggestions for the consideration of the Judiciary Committee.**

**I would be happy to try to answer any questions the committee members may have. Thank you.**